

State Board of Cosmetology Examiners Licensure Requirements

License Type	Age Requirement at time of application	High School Education Requirement	Written exam* required?	Practical Exam* Required?	Cosmetology School Requirement	Experience Requirement	Other Requirements
Cosmetologist	18 years old	Completion of 10th grade or equivalent	Yes	Yes	1500 Hour Cosmetology Program	n/a	n/a
Esthetician	18 years old	Completion of 10th grade or equivalent	Yes	Yes	700 Hour Esthetic Program	n/a	n/a
Manicurist	18 years old	Completion of 8th grade or equivalent	Yes	Yes	450 Hour Manicuring Program	n/a	n/a
Electrologist	18 years old	Completion of 10th grade or equivalent	Yes	Yes	300 Hour Electrology Program	n/a	Must possess a valid Indiana cosmetologist or esthetician license
Beauty Culture Instructor	18 years old	High School Graduation or equivalent	Yes	Yes	1000 Hour Beauty Culture Instructor Program	Must work in a salon for six months with respective license prior to instructing. Experience may be earned while obtaining instructor education.	Must possess a valid Indiana cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, or electrologist license

*The State of Indiana requires a score of 75% on both the State Board of Cosmetology Examiners-approved licensing examination and the school-administered practical examination. Prior to April 5, 2006, the State of Indiana required a score of 75% on both the National-Interstate Council examination, and practical portions of the Indiana State Cosmetology Examination. Prior to July 1, 1993 the State of Indiana combined the national written and practical examination scores for an average of not less than 75% to pass the examination.

